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SAN FRANCISCO:

H. S. CROCKER & Co., PRINTERS, LITHOGRAPHERS AND PUBLISHERS,
1883.

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H. S. CROCKER.

H. S. Crocker & Co.

Stationers, Printers, Lithographers and Blank Book
Manufacturers,

215, 217 & 219 Bush St., San Francisco, Cal.

The cut on the opposite page is an excellent representation of the establishment of H. S. CROCKER & Co., on Bush street, between Sansome and Montgomery streets, San Francisco. The impression produced by the handsome exterior is, however, more than confirmed by a view of the wonderfully-capacious, well-arranged, and magnificently-stocked interior, upon which the resources of long experience and large wealth have been almost lavishly expended for the convenience of patrons and the proper transaction of the firm's vast and varied business.

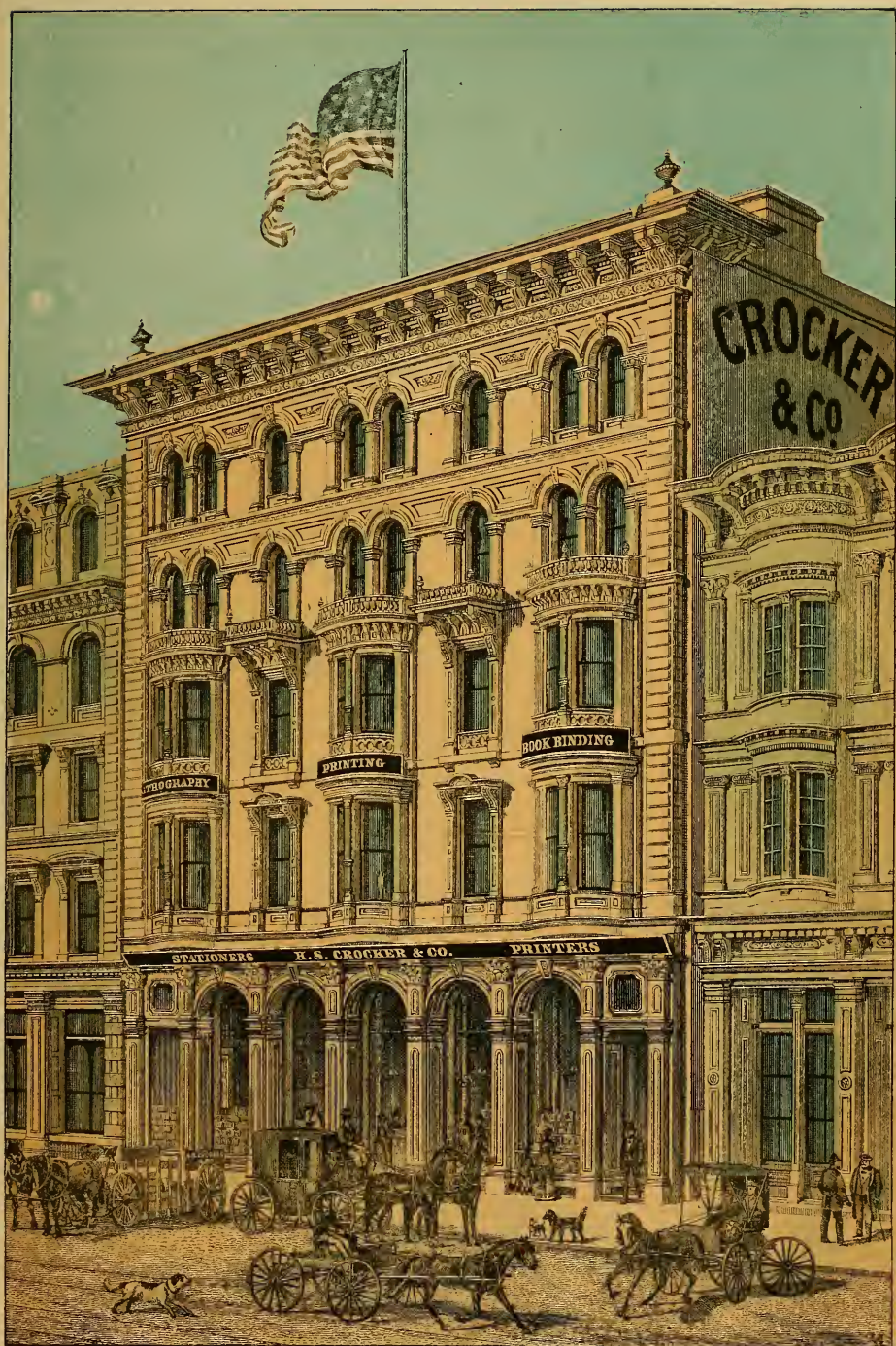
The lower floor, which alone is seen by the admiring passer-by on the street, is, by its size, beauty, and display of goods, enough to challenge attention; but it forms only a very small portion of the establishment, although a very pleasing one. The visitor might spend hours upon it examining the countless varieties of retail goods and samples of stationery of all the standard descriptions and latest freaks of ever-changing fashion,—forming in themselves a perfect art gallery and museum. But the second floor is as interesting in its way as this. It contains CROCKER & Co's immense printing office,—as charming and business-like a combination of workshop and parlor as could be seen in the world,—where cleanliness, light, room and comparative quiet are found to be consistent with the performance of a tremendous amount of work, and with the utmost precision and dispatch. Here twenty job and ten large cylinder presses are constantly running.

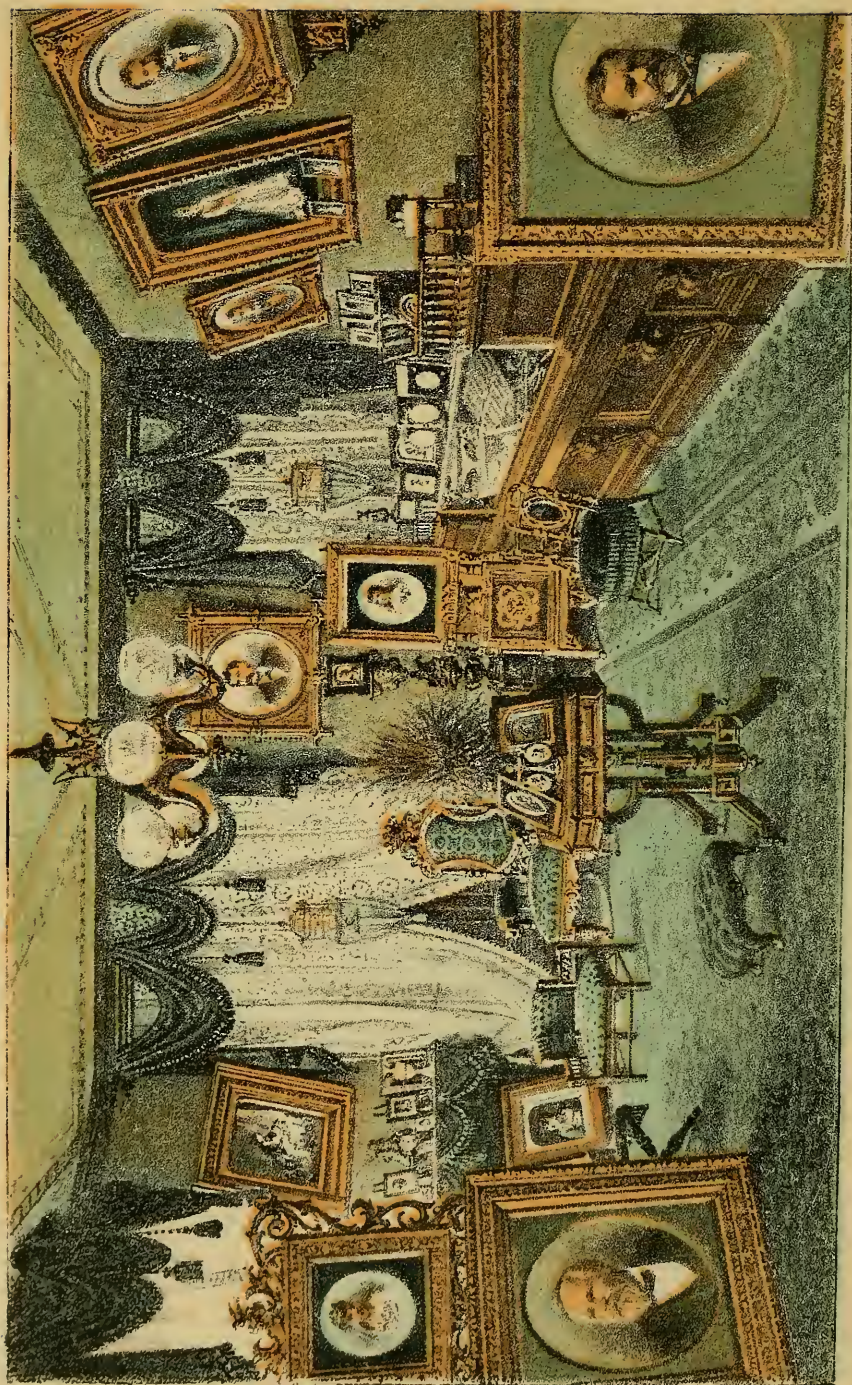
Upon the floor above, the wood and copper-plate engraving is done,—a beautiful and artistic department, in which are engaged some of the best artists in the United States. This floor also contains large reserves of the lighter kind of stationery,—envelopes, wedding stock, etc.

The fourth floor is devoted to the lithographing department, a department that is unexcelled on this Coast, and which is a specialty with Messrs. CROCKER & Co. The workmen are masters of their art, as a glance at their productions will show; *vide*, cut of building.

Upon the fifth floor is the book-bindery. Here some sixty girls and forty men are constantly employed. Altogether, from the cellar, where hundreds of tons of heavy goods are stored, to the busy fifth floor, about 400 employees may be seen at work; the number more or less directly employed outside, but with the establishment, may therefore be imagined. The dimensions of the floors are 70 x 140 feet; but they are fully occupied; each is easily reached by the elevator which, together with all the numerous presses and machines, are operated by a magnificent 80 horse-power Corliss engine.

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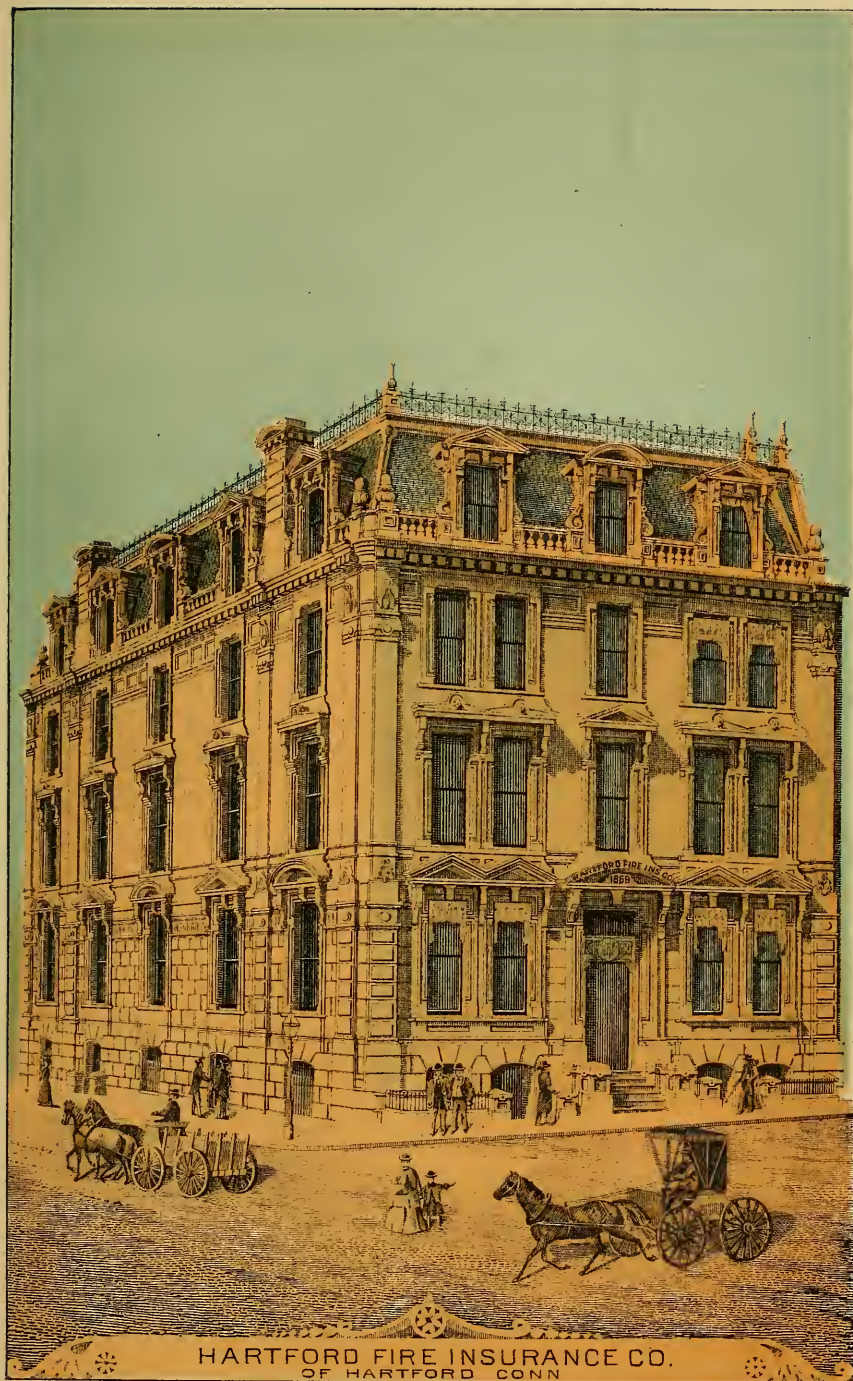
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THE BALDWIN HOTEL.—How it is Conducted Under the Management of a Veteran Proprietor.

If one were looking for some one institution where is centered all that experience, wealth and the application of every modern convenience have done for man's creature comforts, the search need not be continued beyond the Baldwin Hotel of this city. The travelers of even a score of years ago never dreamed of such complete comfort and luxury as the first-class modern hotel affords; and of all the modern hotels none appears to have aggregated under one roof and control so many forms of comfort and luxury as are possessed by the Baldwin. Of course the experienced traveler, or any one experienced in hotel life, knows that elegant apartments in a palatial building, with a limitless supply of money for the procurement of service, go a very little way toward the perfection of a hotel, unless all these things are managed by that rarely-found individual, a successful and first-class hotel-keeper. It has been demonstrated very many times that, given money and a perfectly-appointed building, very few men have the peculiar faculty of using the first so as to constitute the second a good hotel. But in its proprietor and manager, H. H. Pearson, the patrons of the Baldwin are fortunate in the possession of one whose long, careful training and natural aptitude have made him what he has long been recognized as being,—the most successful, because the most satisfactory, hotel-keeper on this coast of hotel-patronizing people. The Baldwin's handsome exterior architecture makes it one of the most attractive, as its size and location make it one of the most noticeable, buildings in the city. Situated on San Francisco's greatest thoroughfare, Market street, with stately, handsome entrances; also on Powell street, with its graceful height towering far above the surrounding buildings, and its countless windows facing on three prominent streets, it will always remain a prominent feature of the city, viewed from the bay, or from nearly any portion of hills or valleys of the peninsula. But, however satisfactory it is to the numerous patrons of the Baldwin, that the great building is itself so prominent and attractive, there is one more consideration of great value to the patrons,—before considering the hotel itself,—and that is its location in regard to the other prominent features of the city. In this regard the Baldwin is exceptionally fortunate, more so now than when it was built six years ago, and yearly growing more so, because of the natural tendency of the city's growth. It is within a few minutes' easy walk of every theatre, besides having a handsome little theatre within its own great court. It is on the line of half a dozen street-car routes to all the bay ferries; the most perfect cable car lines in the city starting from the ferries, passing the Baldwin entrance, extend without change of cars to the famous Golden Gate Park in one branch; to the Mission and Woodward's Garden, by another, will be in operation June 1st; Powell street, on which is one of the Baldwin entrances, leads by a short, easy, pleasant walk to the very dome of aristocratic Nob Hill, with its great mansions and wonderful views; it is in the very center of the great retail store division of the city; and in every way imaginable its location is all that its patrons' convenience could wish. But, after all, the guests of any hotel are most directly concerned as to its interior arrangement and its management. In regard to the latter feature, the name of its well-known manager carries all that need be said. A life-long training in first-class hotels has fitted him to control the management of such an institution as the Baldwin in just the manner he does, which is to the complete satisfaction of every guest who has ever had a day's or a year's relation with him. His knowledge of the markets of San Francisco, or in fact of the larger resources of California,—for he draws upon all the resources of the State for the completeness of his *cuisine*,—makes itself shown in all the unequalled excellence of the Baldwin table. In this department, he is ably assisted by the famous chef, J. P. Forer, whose domain in the great kitchen is a wonder-land of all that goes to make up the detail of the French art of catering for good diners. The handsome exterior of the Baldwin only suggests the rich and tasteful elegance of its interior. The hotel was originally constructed with the sole idea of combining comfort, elegance and convenience; and a stroll through any one of its floors shows how thoroughly that idea was carried out to the end. In connection with every suite of rooms are bath-rooms and closet; and every room in the house is in direct connection with a perfect system of electric signal service, either for the call of house servants or outside messengers. The house throughout is elegantly furnished, and the comfort of the guests is further provided for by a large, carefully-trained and well-organized corps of servants, waiters and stewards. This is shown not only in the prompt and efficient service upon guests, but in the scrupulous neatness with which every room, hall and department of the house is kept. The main office of the hotel, from which ascend the grand stairway and principal passenger elevator, is a spacious and magnificent apartment, finished in marble, polished wood, plate glass and gleaming silver. It is an order of the house that the office shall be kept clear of idlers, an order that the lady guests appreciate; for it is a place any lady can, with perfect comfort, resort to for the transaction of business. But, as handsome as the office is, it could have no charms sufficient to keep gentlemen of leisure any length of time, for adjoining it is a large, rich and seductive reading-room, stocked with a full supply of current literature; and next to that is one of the largest and most fashionable popular billiard parlors in the city. Beyond the billiard parlor is a richly appointed bar, and on the opposite side of the office is the hotel barber shop. The office is in charge of Chief Clerk Brush Hardenbergh, well-known to all coast travelers, because of his connection with such houses as the old St. George of Sacramento, the Occidental, Cosmopolitan and Grand for the past twenty-five years. The cashier is M. A. French, known to hotel guests since the days of the famous old Rasette House. The night clerk is H. G. Pearson, son of the proprietor, who is displaying his father's genius for the hotel business. There is one feature of a hotel that guests have the liveliest recollection, which in the Baldwin is one of the most prominent,—the dining-room. Every guest the Baldwin ever had is a life-long advertiser of the superb excellence of its dining-room,—considered entirely aside of the meals served there. It is safe to say that there is in the United States no more handsome room for the enjoyable purposes to which it is set apart. Wisely located on the second floor, and opening on Ellis and Powell streets, it is away from the noise of the restless rush of traffic on Market street, and delightfully quiet, as all dining-rooms should be. Its handsome interior must be seen to be appreciated. Its perfect arrangements as to light, both natural and artificial, make it bright and cheerful, whether at a midday lunch or a midnight banquet. Of the catering, enough has already been said to suggest the fact that the sense of taste of the most exacting epicure is as perfectly satisfied in that respect as is the artistic sense of those who appreciate the beautiful in all other respects. Any description of the Baldwin Hotel would be lacking in completeness without some word regarding the perfect arrangements for fire alarm and precaution against fire. The house is fitted with self-acting fire indicators and alarms. A heat of 110 degrees, Fahrenheit, instantly acts upon the automatic alarm, which sounds, not only in the office, but also in the rooms of guests. But the precautions against fire are so complete that it seems that the necessity for the alarms scarcely exists. Three watchmen are especially engaged all night as a fire patrol; and their constant watchfulness is assured by the assistance of a patent watchman's clock, which indicates by an ingenious mechanism the fact of half-hourly rounds by the patrol. This brief sketch of some of the points of excellence of the Baldwin is sufficient to demonstrate to the stranger what is attested by every guest,—that it is at once the handsomest, the most comfortable, convenient and best-conducted hotel on the Coast.

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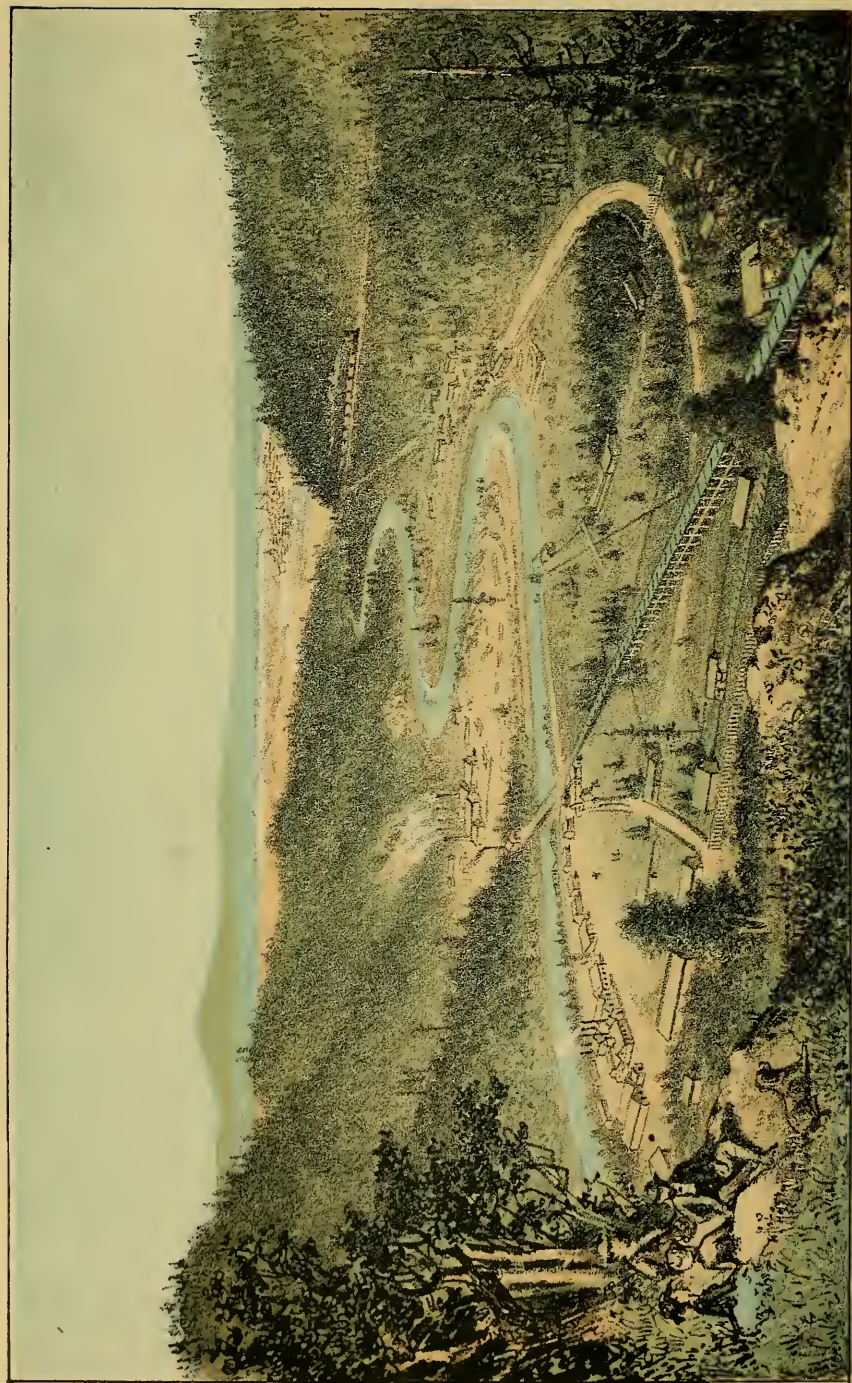
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HOTEL DEL MONTE - MONTEREY.



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THE
"Newport of the Pacific."

The old seaside town of Santa Cruz is situated upon the Bay of Monterey, eighty-five miles from San Francisco, and is a favorite bathing place and general summer resort of the coast, and has been justly called the "Newport of the Pacific." A climate so even and salubrious as to permit surf bathing from January first to December thirty-first, must necessarily become a fashionable resort. The attractions of this town and vicinity are almost too numerous to mention. Possessing, as it does, a fine beach almost level and beautifully white, with southern exposure, supplied with pleasant sunny bath-houses and all the necessary accompaniments, together with a mild but bracing climate, and comparatively free from fogs and cold winds, makes an attractive spot for invalids in winter and summer. So many sunny days allowing out-door exercise is a wonderful boon to the sick. Indeed if the many thousand invalids of the north and east, who are confined to close apartments from inclement weather, could be transported to the sunny shores of Santa Cruz and breathe its life-giving atmosphere, how many would have their lives prolonged, health restored and enjoy years of happiness. The writer brought his wife from Philadelphia to this coast seven years ago, afflicted with bronchial trouble, and pronounced by physicians to be going into consumption. In just *two months* this wonderful healing power in the sunny atmosphere of this coast completely restored her and she has ever since been free from this dreadful disease. Can too much be said of such a place?

The winters at Santa Cruz are mild, being protected from the northern blasts by the surrounding forests and mountains. The occasional warm rains, frequently occurring at night, cover the valleys and hills with beautiful shades of green, and bright flowers spring forth full of fragrance and beauty, more beautiful by far than an eastern spring. After a night of rain the mornings break full of warm sunshine, and the mountain tops in full view, covered with snow, give a pleasant contrast. Of a clear morning the large Panama steamers may be plainly seen passing up or down the coast, and Monterey is visible

across the bay twenty miles away. The difference between winter and summer temperature of the surf is only a few degrees, which makes bathing possible the year round. Adjacent to beautiful drives over romantic mountain roads, from which a delightful view of the valley and old ocean may be had, Santa Cruz has an attractiveness that draws thousands to its shores. A trip to the hills will soon bring one to a higher or lower temperature, as may be desired. The deep ravines and canyons, sheltered and sunny, of even temperature, is valuable to the health and pleasure seeker. The beautiful, pure mountain streams running down these canyons and through the valleys, and abounding in fine trout, furnish a pleasant pastime to the many visitors from San Francisco who spend their vacation in this delightful spot. A drive, or ride on the South Pacific Coast Railroad cars, of five miles, brings one to the Big Trees, near Felton, and the celebrated camping ground so extensively patronized since the building of this popular railroad, which passes through it. During the camping season, which is from March until December, this place presents the life of a military camp. Connected with San Francisco, and the intermediate city of San Jose, by two trains a day, hundreds flock to it with their tents and camp equipage to enjoy the sunny, out-door life. Half a mile below Felton is the celebrated Big Tree Grove of Santa Cruz county, the largest tree reaching a height of 300 feet, and a diameter of twenty feet. This tree was named the "General Fremont," from the fact that he and his party camped in its hollow trunk for six weeks. It was also occupied by a trapper and his family, who cut holes through the trunk for windows and a stove-pipe, and made it his home for years. There are groves of immense trees covering these wild and romantic mountains, and being easy of access are visited by thousands who make a stop on their way to Santa Cruz, or run up from the latter place on one of the daily trains, for a picnic amidst these giants. A trip from San Francisco to Santa Cruz, by the narrow gauge line, is a very enjoyable one. Crossing the bay of San Francisco in one of their magnificent ferry-boats to Alameda Point, where you take the cars of the South Pacific Coast Railroad; thence passing through the suburban residence town of Alameda, and on through the pleasant bay-coast towns of Newark, Centerville, Alverada, Santa Clara to San Jose, the garden city of California, and then on through the Santa Clara valley—filled for ten miles with fruit orchards, vineyards and groves of live oaks—you reach the picturesque mountain town of Los Gatos, elsewhere described in this book. After a fine view of the valley the train immediately plunges into the wild and romantic Santa Cruz mountains, winding its way through canyons and romantic gorges of wonderful beauty, through huge forests of giant trees and along romantic mountain roads to the Big Trees, at Felton, and then on towards Santa Cruz, the route affording a magnificent view of that town and surrounding hills and valleys, including the bay of Monterey, as you enter this far-famed "Newport of the Pacific."

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Our view of San Francisco thirty odd years ago presents the appearance of a promising western mining town, irregularly laid out among the sand hills, with many temporary houses, shanties, tents, &c., all sizes and shapes. The discovery of rich gold and silver mines drew together thousands of adventurers from every land, and this spot, with its magnificent harbor and natural commercial advantages, had attracted the miner, speculator, gambler, and herds of hangers on as a central point to strike out from to the fields of gold. Adjacent to rich hills and valleys and having a delightful climate, no wonder this far-off city of the west made rapid strides towards prosperity, and in these few years has grown to its present population and great wealth. The birds-eye view of San Francisco in 1883 gives but a faint idea of its growth and present proportions, or of its vast ocean commerce as represented by the forest of masts of vessels lying at the wharves receiving and discharging cargoes from every nation of the globe. Thoroughly cosmopolitan, the visitor, be he American, German, French, Russian, Italian, Mexican, Chinaman, or almost any nationality, will find a house and restaurant in San Francisco where he can feel at home—in language and customs, and in music and social enjoyment, a thoroughly appreciative people. In great enterprises and adoption of advanced ideas and discoveries of the age, no city leads San Francisco. We might mention, while on the subject, that California claims the greatest degree of generosity, the largest pumpkins, beets, pears, grapes, the choicest of wine, the rarest flowers, and the most extensive grain fields in the world, and last, but not least, the most charming climate under the sun. Many magnificent public and private buildings receive the attention of our visitors, and the Golden Gate Park, made more attractive each year, is fully appreciated and always taken in with a trip to the celebrated Cliff House and Seal Rocks, more minutely described elsewhere.

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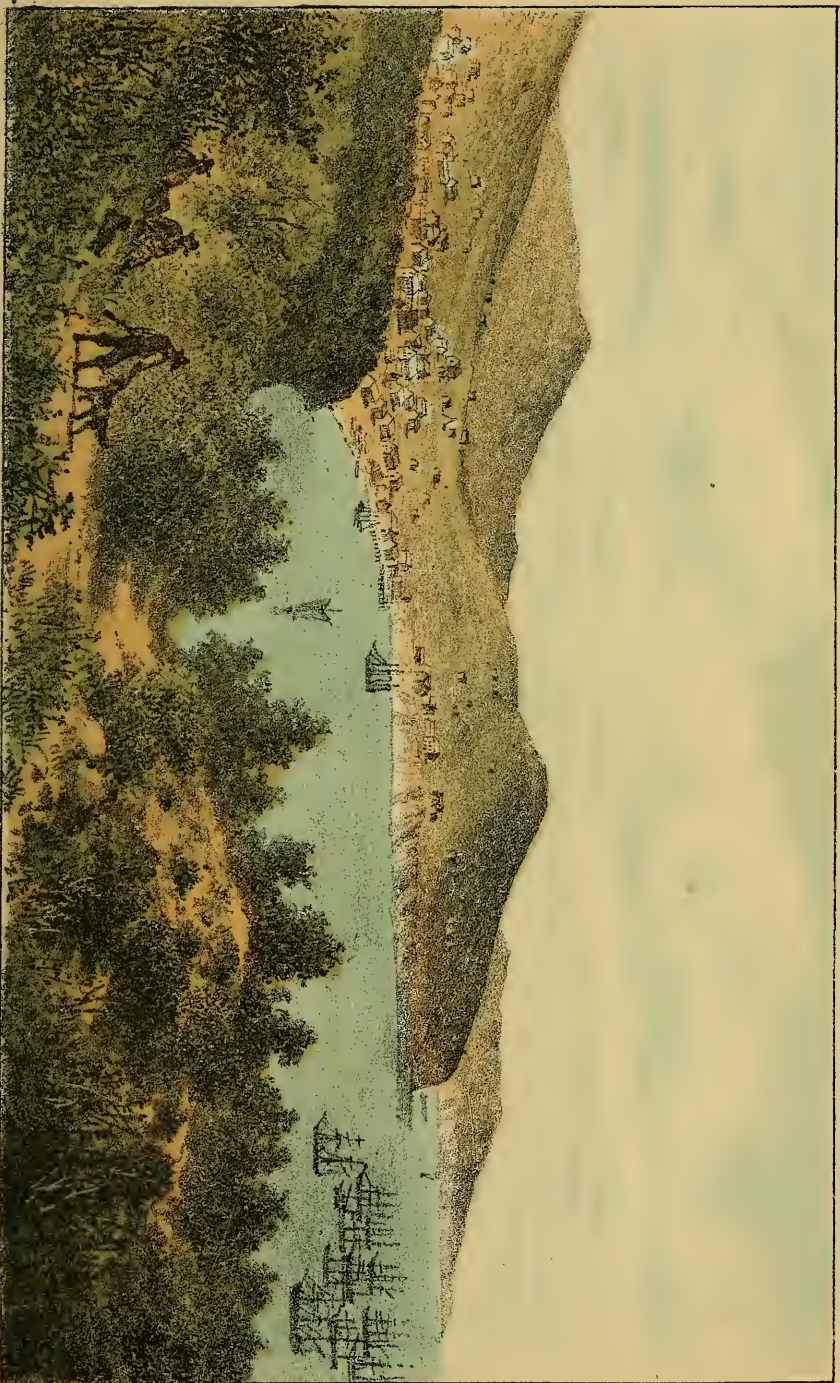
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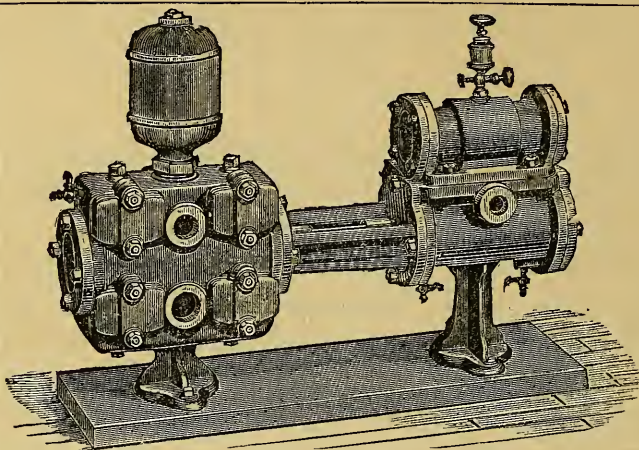
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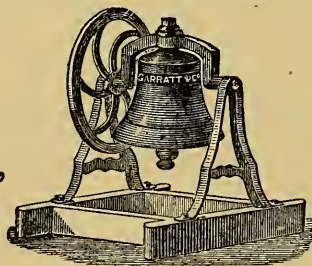
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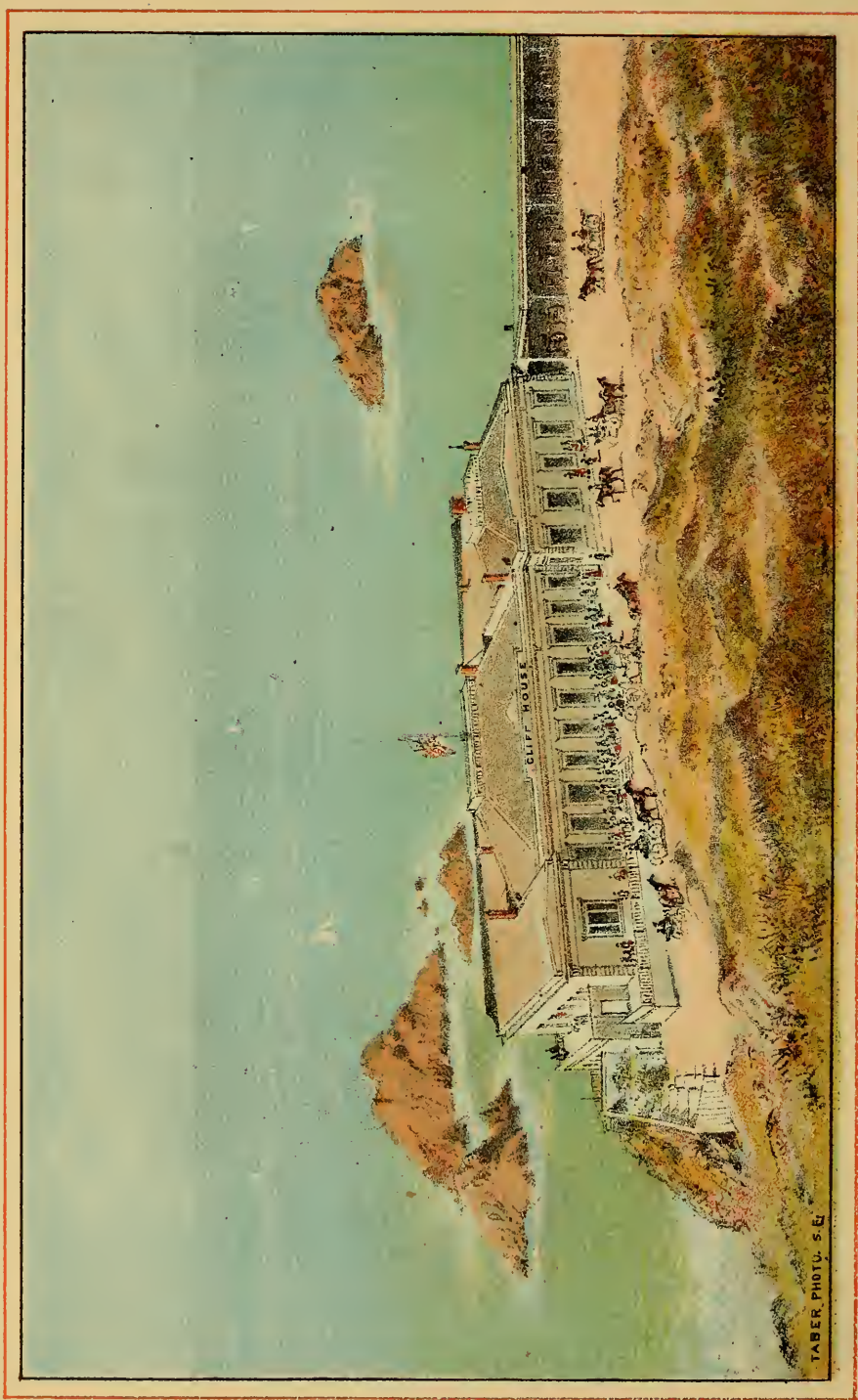
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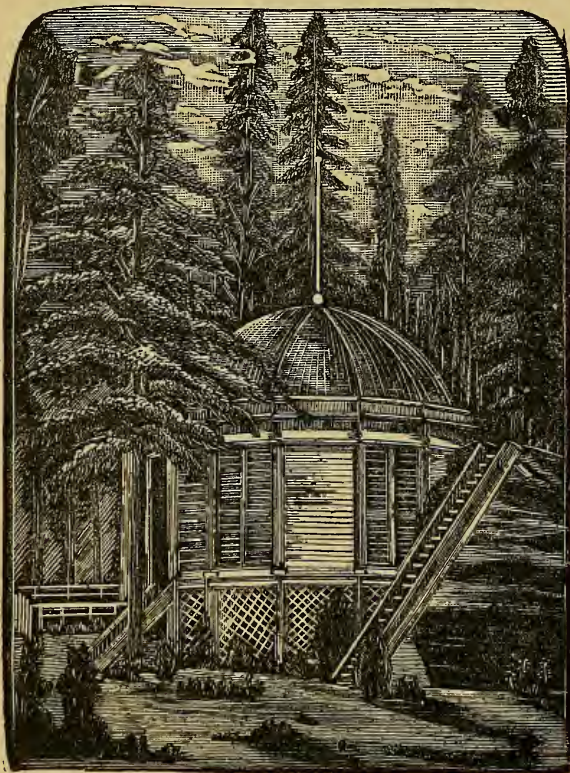
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BIG TREES.

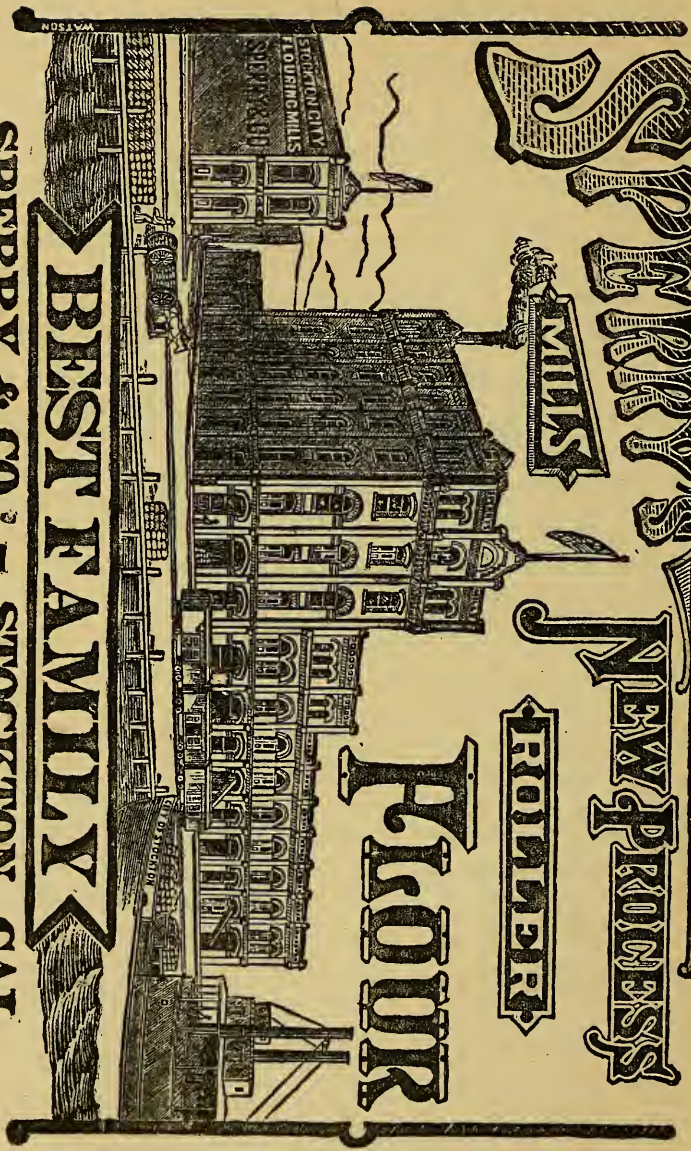
The Mammoth Hotel with Pavilion and Stump in Calaveras Grove, a view of which is given in this book, is owned and kept by Mr. James L. Sperry, and has accommodations for 100 guests. This hotel is reached by the following route *via* railroad: from Stockton to Milton, 28 miles; stage from Milton to grove, 44 miles. On the left is the pavilion, covering the large stump used as a dancing platform, easily accommodating 32 dancers. Still further to the left is a good-sized back-log 25 feet in diameter. This valley contains 93 Great *Sequoia* Trees, as well as hundreds of sugar and pitch pine trees of immense proportions. Of the former giants of this grove, there are ten trees 30 feet in diameter, and seventy odd between fifteen and thirty feet. Many of these monarchs bear the names of noted generals and prominent citizens of the United States. First we notice the "Father of the Forest," now fallen, whose diameter was 40 feet and height 450 feet. Next, the "Mother of the Forest," height 321 feet and diameter 33 feet. The "Pride of the Forest," 23 feet in diameter and 300 feet high, is one of the healthiest and noblest trees of the forest. We might mention the giants "U. S. Grant," "W. T. Sherman," "J. B. McPherson," and many others whose proportions are huge, but space forbids. Within six miles of this grove lies the South Grove, containing 1,380 trees, many of them of immense size. One still standing and growing has the interior portion at the base so burned out as to make room enough for 16 men on horseback at the same time. At the entrance to the grove are three *sequoias* of huge dimensions. Then comes "Gen. Custer," 320 feet high; the "Massachusetts," 100 feet in circumference, 33½ feet in diameter and 380 feet high; the "Ohio," 104 feet in circumference and 328 feet high; the "General Garfield," recently named by a Californian,—a view of which is given,—a tower of strength reaching a height of 340 feet; next, the "Palace Hotel," 100 feet in circumference and so named on account of its spacious interior (after the Palace Hotel of San Francisco), having a burnt-out cavity extending upward 90 feet and 15 feet in diameter. "Old Goliath" is the largest fallen monarch in the grove, being 105 feet in circumference. Scientific men pronounce these trees from 2,000 to 4,000 years old.

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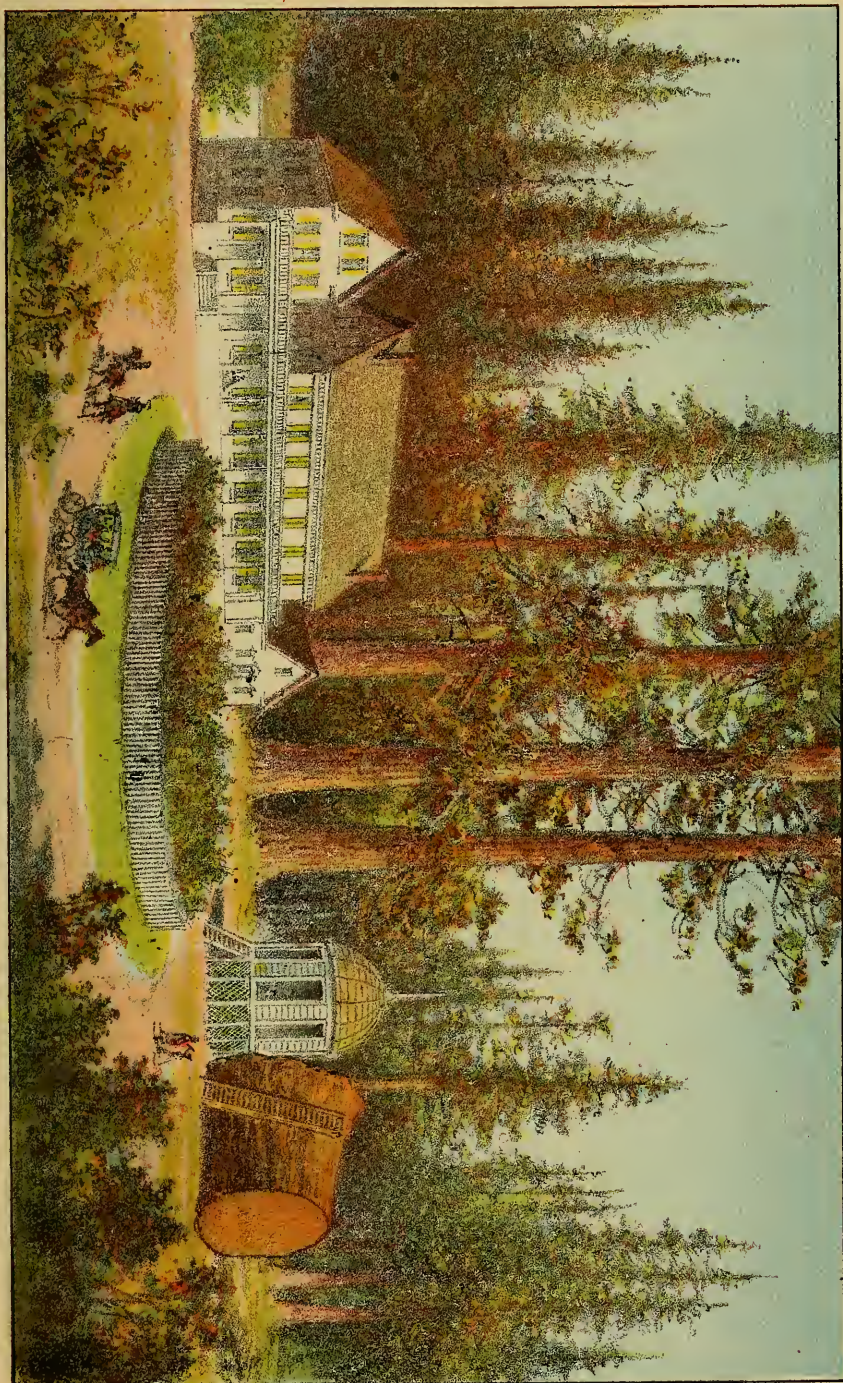
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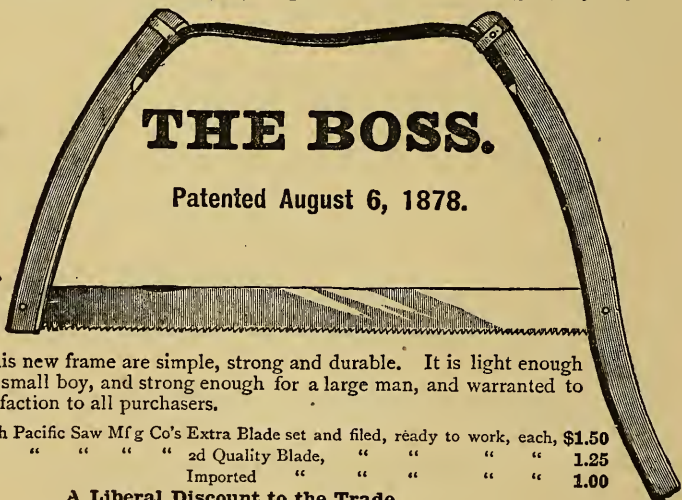


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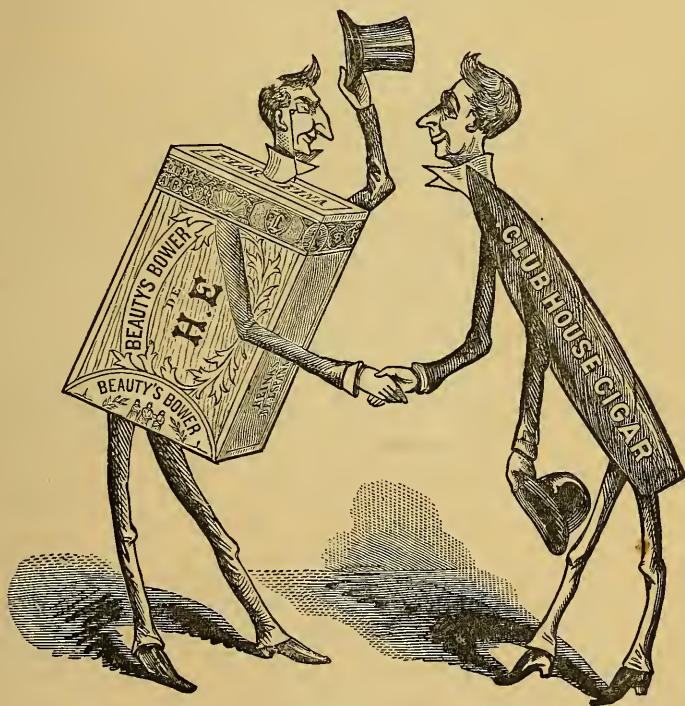


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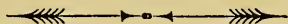
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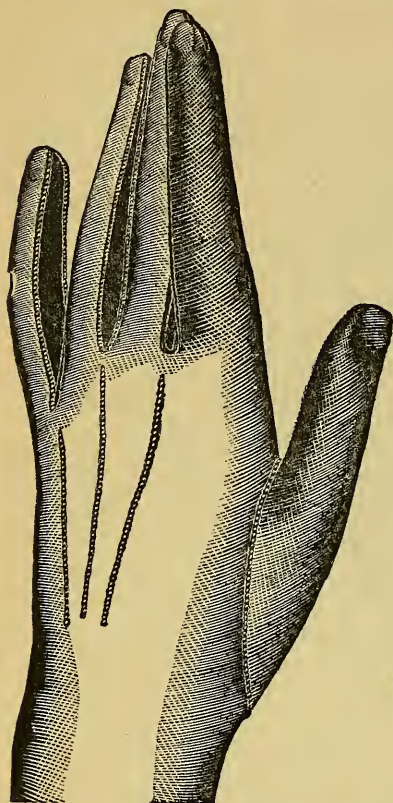
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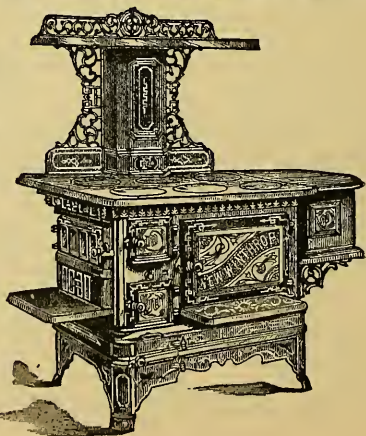
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The "Gem of the Sierras," between two and three miles from Summit, on line C. P. R. R., was made memorable by the terrible suffering of the Donner family and a large party of other emigrants, thirty-six of whom perished near its banks. George Donner, wife, and party of emigrants, consisting of eighty-two persons, arrived at the lake October 28th, 1846. They were overtaken by a tremendous snow-storm, lost their cattle, and were reduced to such straits that many survivors fed on the remains of their starved companions. Of a party of thirteen who went out for help, ten perished. Mrs. Donner remained with her husband and both perished before aid reached them. Mr. C. F. McGlashan, a California writer, thus beautifully describes this lake: "Three miles from Truckee lies one of the fairest and most picturesque lakes in all the Sierra. Above and on either side are lofty mountains with castellated granite crests, while below at the mouth of the lake a grassy, meadowy valley widens out and extends almost to Truckee. This body of water is three miles long by one and a half wide, and 483 feet in depth. Tourists and picnic parties annually flock to its shores; and Beerstadt has made it the subject of one of his finest, grandest paintings. In winter it is almost as popular a place of resort as in summer. The jingling of sleigh-bells and the shouts and laughter of skating parties can be heard almost continually. This lake forms the grandest skating park on the Pacific Coast. Convenient to a railroad station and visited at small cost, it is worth the attention of the tourist." Distance from Summit to lake, by stage, two miles; fare \$2.50.

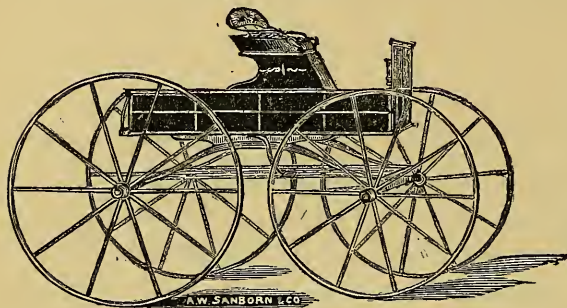
LAKE TAHOE.

This beautiful lake (named after an Indian chief, "Tahoe," and signifying "Big Water") is noted for its great depth (reaching about 3,000 feet), crystal clearness, grand mountainous surroundings, and abundance of mountain trout, which can be seen at a depth of 80 feet below its surface. The high mountains, from 2,000 to 5,000 feet surrounding the lake, are beautifully reflected in its mirror surface. The beauty of a sunrise reflected in the lake, oft repeated by moving down the slope as the sun appears above the mountain peaks, is beyond description. Tourists describe the golden sunsets upon Tahoe as remarkable for great beauty and variety of colors—and this being perfectly reflected in the lake is a magnificent sight—distant line about 500 to 1,000 feet from shore; the water is emerald green, then dark blue. Starting from the beautiful village of Glenwood in the pleasure steamer "Gov. Stanford" for a trip around the head of the lake, the first object of interest is Cave Rock, 400 feet in height. After passing this rock and looking back, it resembles the Great South Dome of the Yosemite, split in two; and the cavern, 30 feet in length, is seen 100 feet above the ground. This trip gives the tourist a great variety of views and is a charming pastime. The invalid will find Lake Tahoe a health-giving resort. The clear atmosphere, grand mountain scenery, and ever-changing sunsets give life, hope and health to the weary pilgrim, and encouragement to take a new lease of life. To reach this lake take Central Pacific R. R. to Truckee (distance 271 miles; fare \$14.00), then stage to Tahoe (14 miles; fare \$2.50).

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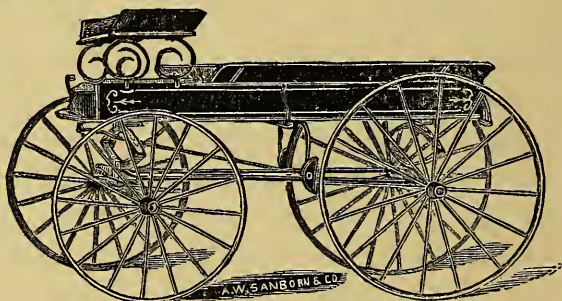
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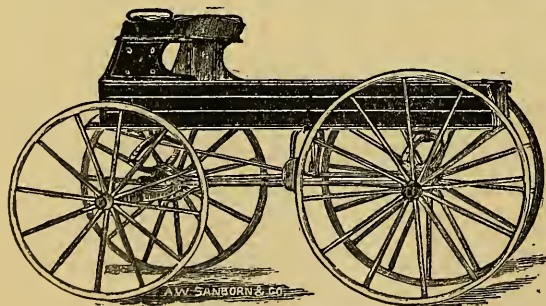
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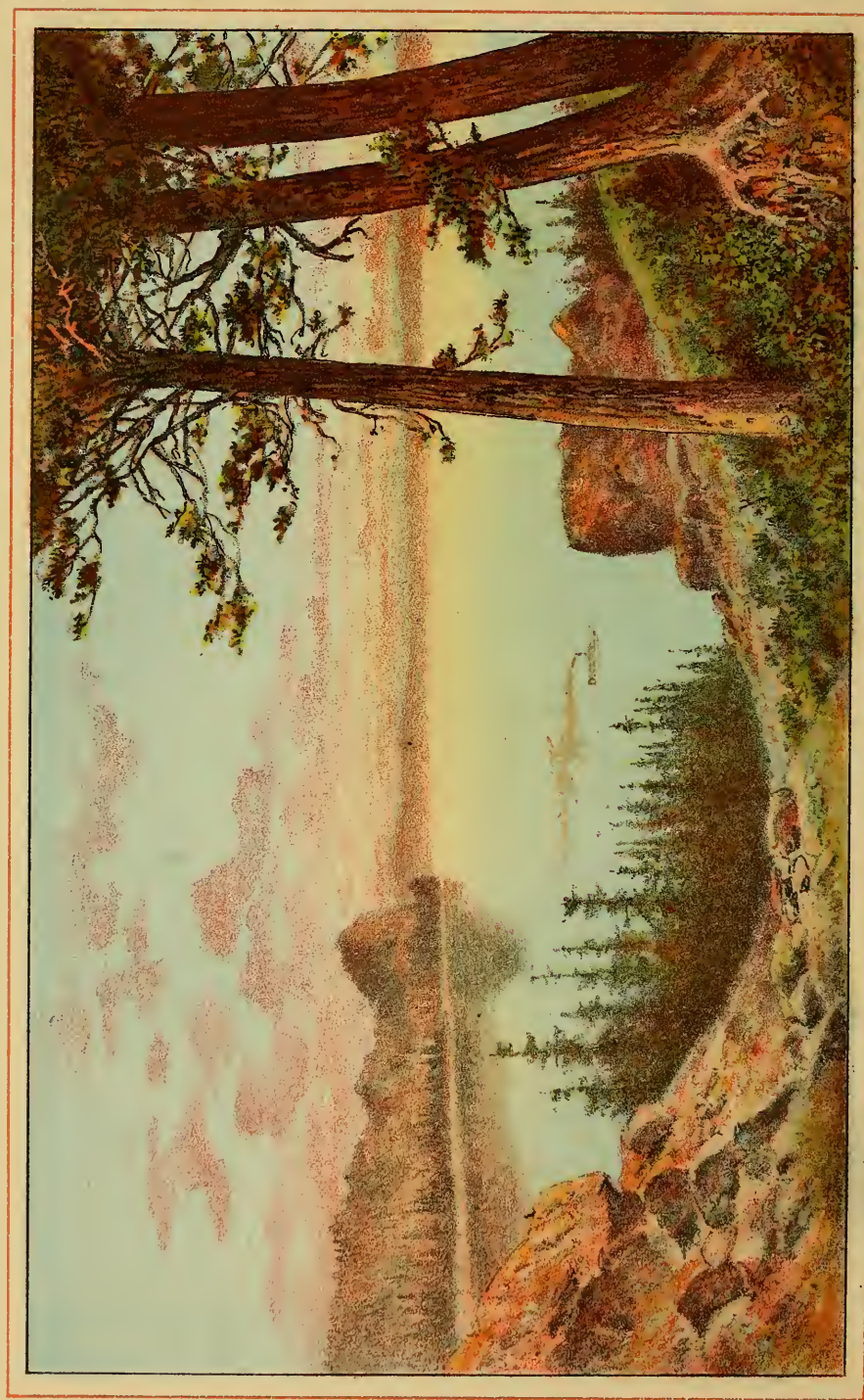
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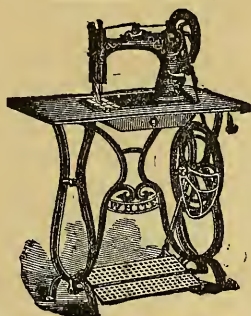


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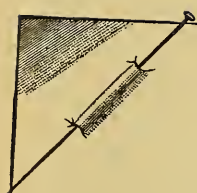
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